

will have to undergo periodic health check-ups to help in checking the spread of deadly disease of cancer;

(b) if so, by when the above policy is likely to be formulated and implemented in the country; and

(c) the necessary steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]:

(a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) In view of above, question does not arise.

Privatisation of Hospitals

1453. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

CHAUDHARY CHUNNI LAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item "Government hospitals may go private", appearing in the Economic Times, dated 11th July, 2000;

(b) if so, the reaction thereto;

(c) whether Government propose to privatise hospitals; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]:

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) There is no proposal under consideration in this Ministry to privatise Central Government Hospitals in Delhi. The Government of NCT of Delhi has also informed that at present they have no policy to privatise its Hospitals.

Health for All

1454. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering any steps for achieving the goal of health for all;